

2005 Search and Rescue Annual Report

Note from the Chairman:

As chairman of the Search and Rescue Advisory Board, I am pleased to issue this report reflecting the success of the Search and Rescue Financial Assistance Program. This program has successfully provided a means for reimbursement to local Search and Rescue Teams for the past eight years, allowing them to fulfill their responsibilities and missions.

The number of Search and Rescue missions and consequently, the need for funding, continues to grow. Each participating county benefits from the program by receiving funding to reimburse costs associated with essential training, recovering costs incurred during search missions and to upgrade and replace needed equipment.

The charts and graphs in this report reflect not only the financial success of the program, but also the success of the missions of the Search and Rescue Teams.

It is my hope that the Search and Rescue Program will continue to assist you in meeting your search and rescue demands. On behalf of the Advisory Board, I would like to thank the dedicated search and rescue volunteers for their sacrifice and service that saves lives. A special thank you to the Advisory Board for their years of hard work, dedication and service.

Sincerely,



Lynn Nelson

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(*These members are appointed to meet the terms
according to Section 53-2-108 of House Bill 32)

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The House Bill

In 1997, John L. Valentine sponsored House Bill 32, creating the Search and Rescue Financial Assistance Program (SAR). The Act, relating to public safety, imposes a Search and Rescue surcharge or fee to off-highway registered or renewed vehicles, registered or renewed motorboats and sailboats, and annual wildlife habitat authorizations. These contributions are deposited into the State General Fund and dedicated to the Search and Rescue Financial Assistance Program.

These funds are available to reimburse counties for any reasonable costs incidental to search and rescue activities, not including any salary or overtime paid to any person on a regular or permanent payroll, including permanent part-time employees. Some of the approved costs are as follows:

- Rental for fixed wing aircraft, helicopters, snowmobiles, boats, and generators;
- Replacement and upgrade of search and rescue equipment;
- Training of search and rescue volunteers; and
- Any other equipment or expenses necessary or appropriate for conducting search and rescue activities.

The Search and Rescue Advisory Board has established the reporting requirements and reviews all submitted expenses.

Search and Rescue Data

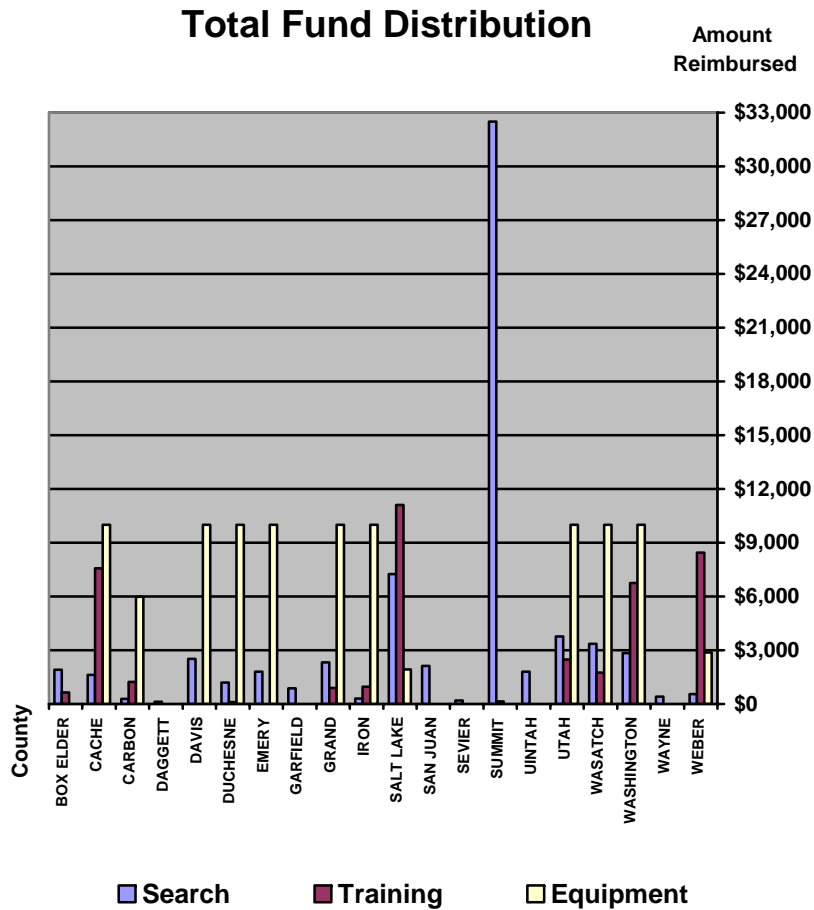
In Utah, the State assigns SAR incident numbers to all reported events. All reports are filed with the Division of Emergency Services and Homeland Security (DES). The data from these incidents are entered into the SAR database and used to generate the statistics in this report. The primary source for this data comes from the County Sheriffs' Offices who are responding to the majority of the missions in the state.

All the data found in this report is derived from the reports submitted by the county sheriffs. The database includes only partial data. If DES does not receive a report, then the SAR missions for that county are not portrayed in the annual report.

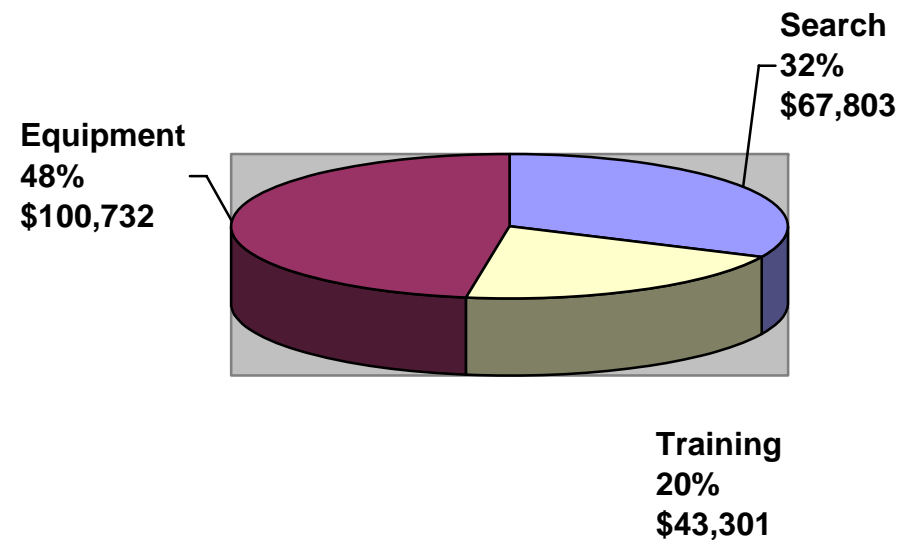
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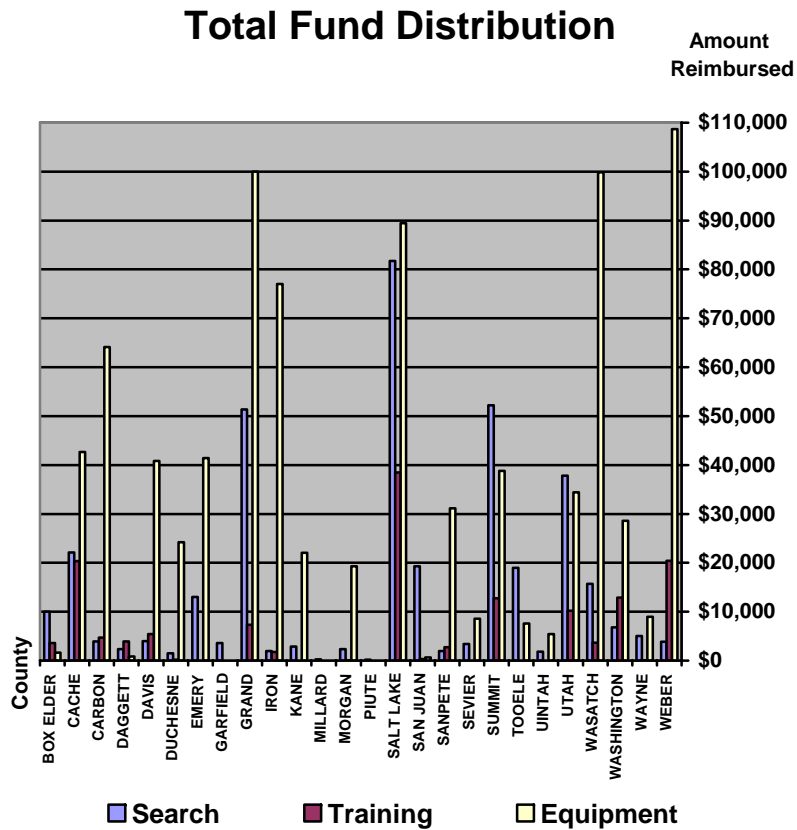
Total Fund Distribution



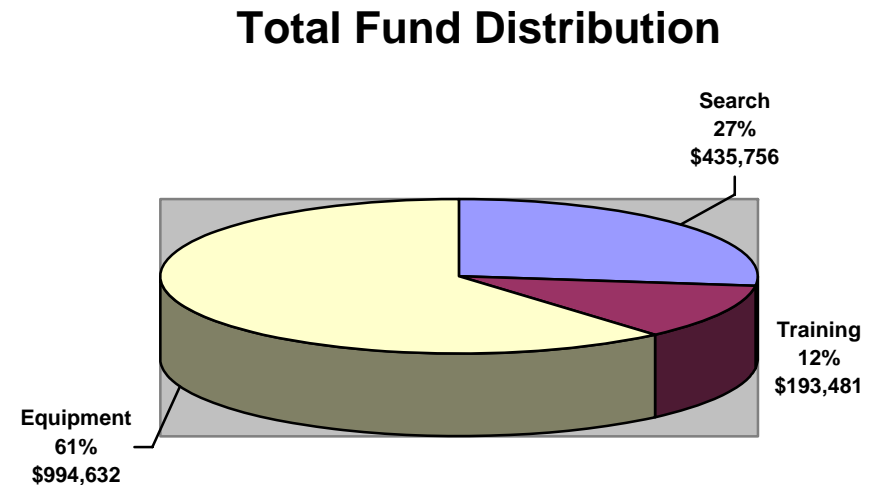
Total funds distributed in State Fiscal Year 2005 amounted to \$211,836.

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Total funds distributed in State Fiscal Year 1998-2005 amounted to \$1,623,869

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This table lists the amounts granted to each county according to how it was spent in 2005.

	Search	Training	Equipment
BOX ELDER	\$1,917.21	\$636.31	\$0.00
CACHE	\$1,623.35	\$7,577.41	\$9,993.28
CARBON	\$291.78	\$1,226.24	\$5,977.20
DAGGETT	\$125.71	\$0.00	\$0.00
DAVIS	\$2,514.59	\$0.00	\$9,993.28
DUCHESNE	\$1,191.87	\$98.61	\$9,993.28
EMERY	\$1,808.11	\$0.00	\$9,993.28
GARFIELD	\$ 882.79	\$0.00	\$0.00
GRAND	\$2,322.04	\$887.32	\$9,993.28
IRON	\$306.60	\$968.20	\$9,993.28
SALT LAKE	\$7,255.13	\$11,104.24	\$1,937.37
SAN JUAN	\$2,127.50	\$0.00	\$0.00
SANPETE	\$0.00	\$1,220.62	\$0.00
SEVIER	\$196.12	\$0.00	\$0.00
SUMMIT	\$32,507.65	\$142.90	\$0.00
UINTAH	\$1,805.04	\$0.00	\$0.00
UTAH	\$3,768.44	\$2,482.59	\$9,993.28
WASATCH	\$3,364.69	\$1,748.98	\$9,993.28
WASHINGTON	\$2,831.19	\$6,753.00	\$9,993.28
WAYNE	\$405.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
WEBER	\$557.91	\$8,455.00	\$2,877.73

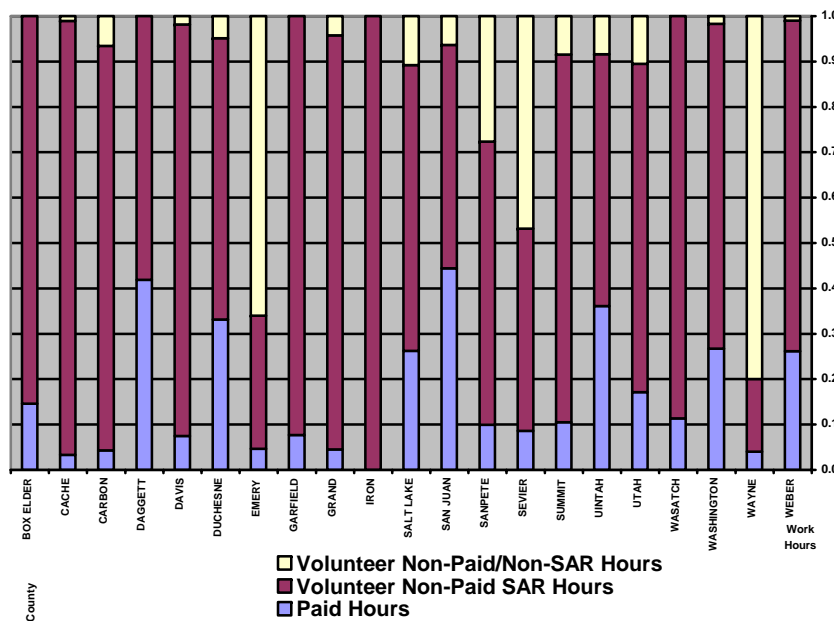
This table lists the amounts granted to each county according to how it was spent 1998 – 2005.

	Search	Training	Equipment
BOX ELDER	\$10,005.00	\$3,616.43	\$1,650.25
CACHE	\$22,127.36	\$20,352.28	\$42,634.53
CARBON	\$3,906.67	\$4,678.94	\$64,129.62
DAGGETT	\$2,326.42	\$3,928.13	\$838.04
DAVIS	\$4,015.29	\$5,437.74	\$40,814.39
DUCHESNE	\$1,517.45	\$204.12	\$24,204.20
EMERY	\$13,010.40	\$0.00	\$41,404.77
GARFIELD	\$3,576.08	\$0.00	\$0.00
GRAND	\$51,377.46	\$7,338.84	\$99,996.44
IRON	\$1,938.03	\$1,768.20	\$77,043.88
KANE	\$2,897.36	\$0.00	\$22,042.41
MILLARD	\$268.53	\$0.00	\$0.00
MORGAN	\$2,352.85	\$98.00	\$19,299.00
PIUTE	\$180.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
SALT LAKE	\$81,760.50	\$38,501.68	\$89,462.07
SAN JUAN	\$19,327.76	\$300.00	\$627.50
SANPETE	\$1,990.47	\$2,717.14	\$31,173.90
SEVIER	\$3,382.15	\$0.00	\$8,553.27
SUMMIT	\$52,250.18	\$12,754.57	\$38,799.80
TOOELE	\$18,949.63	\$0.00	\$7,582.09
UINTAH	\$1,805.04	\$0.00	\$5,424.95
UTAH	\$37,798.03	\$10,240.45	\$34,430.79
WASATCH	\$15,695.71	\$3,642.04	\$99,883.50
WASHINGTON	\$6,792.18	\$12,874.13	\$28,567.55
WAYNE	\$5,007.64	\$74.21	\$8,983.53
WEBER	\$3,835.67	\$20,432.79	\$108,668.17

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This graph depicts the total work hours as a percentage for 2005 by county. The types of work include volunteer non-paid/non-SAR hours, volunteer non-paid SAR hours, and paid hours.

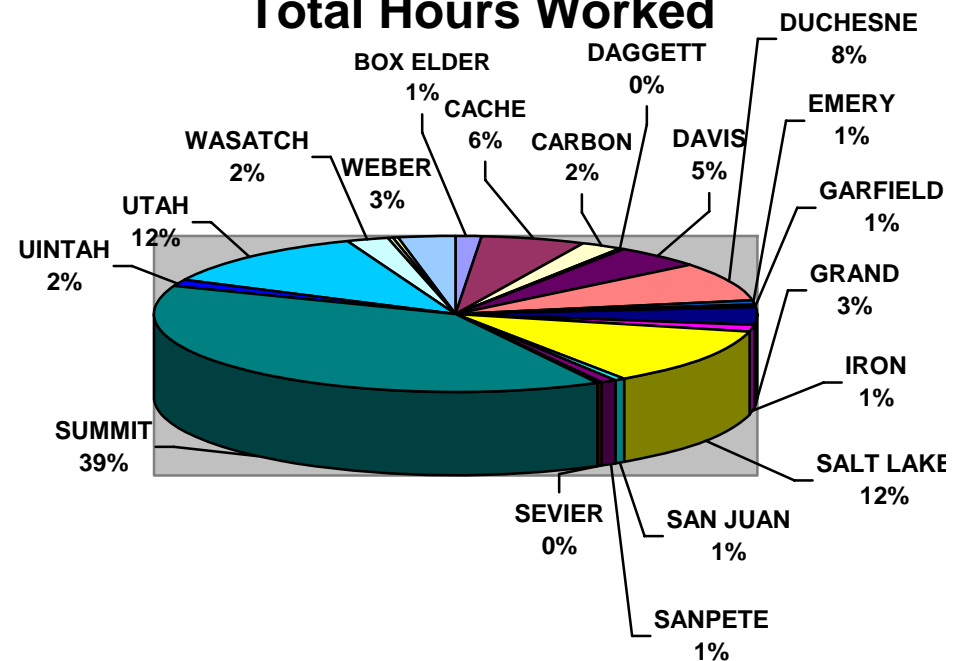
Total Hours Worked as a Percentage



Total volunteer non-paid/non-SAR = 3,968 hours
 Total volunteer non-paid SAR = 39,205 hours
 Total paid = 7,685 hours

This graph represents the same data for total hours worked by county.

Total Hours Worked

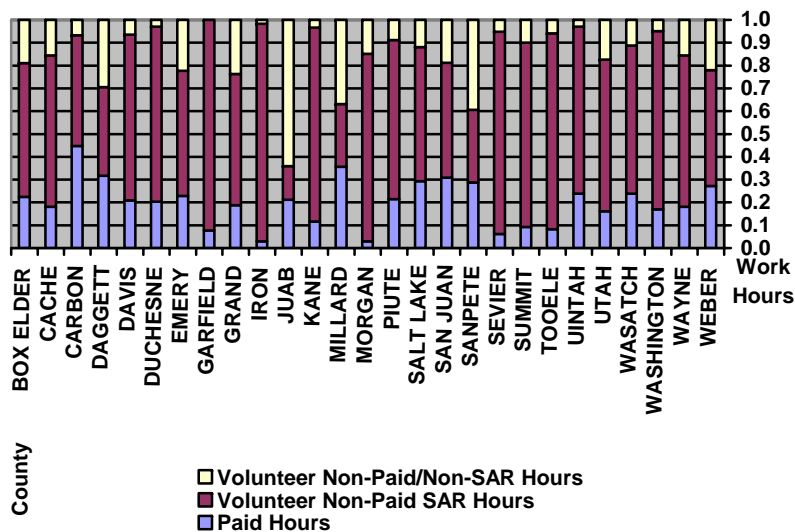


Total personnel hours for state year 2005 amounted to 50,858 hours.

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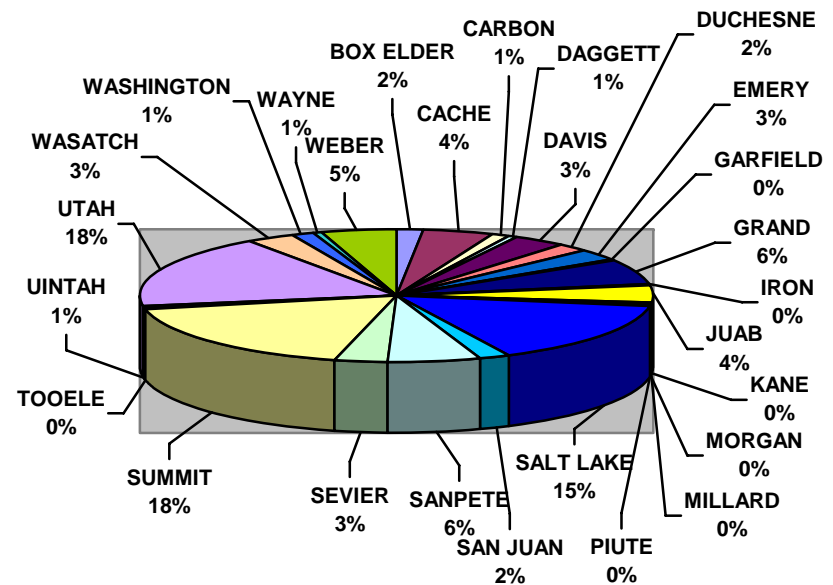
Total Hours Worked as a Percentage



Total volunteer non-paid/non-SAR = 63,662 hours
 Total volunteer non-paid SAR = 235,451 hours
 Total paid = 72,412 hours

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Total Hours Worked

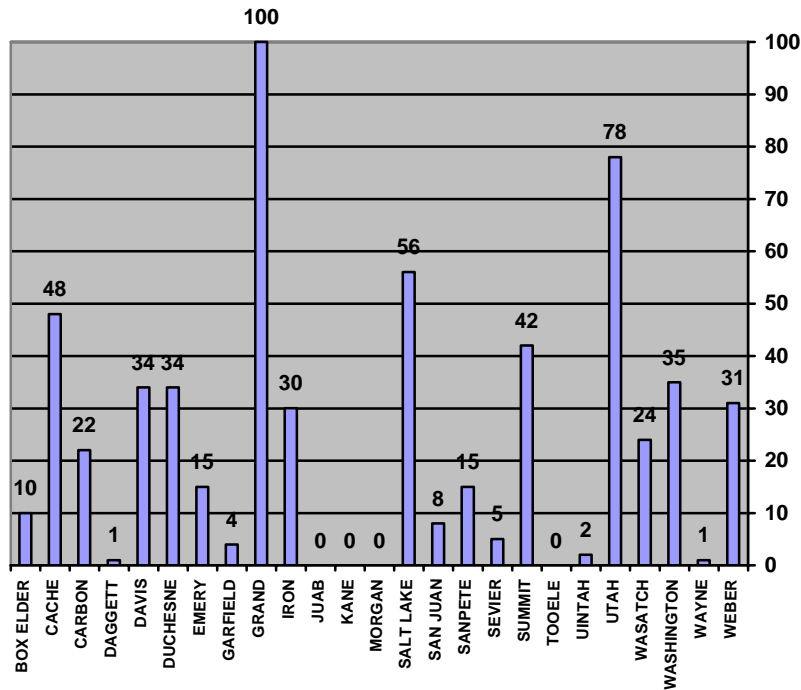


Total personnel hours for state years 1998 – 2005 amounted to 371,134 hours.

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This graph depicts the number of SAR missions occurring by county for state year 2005.

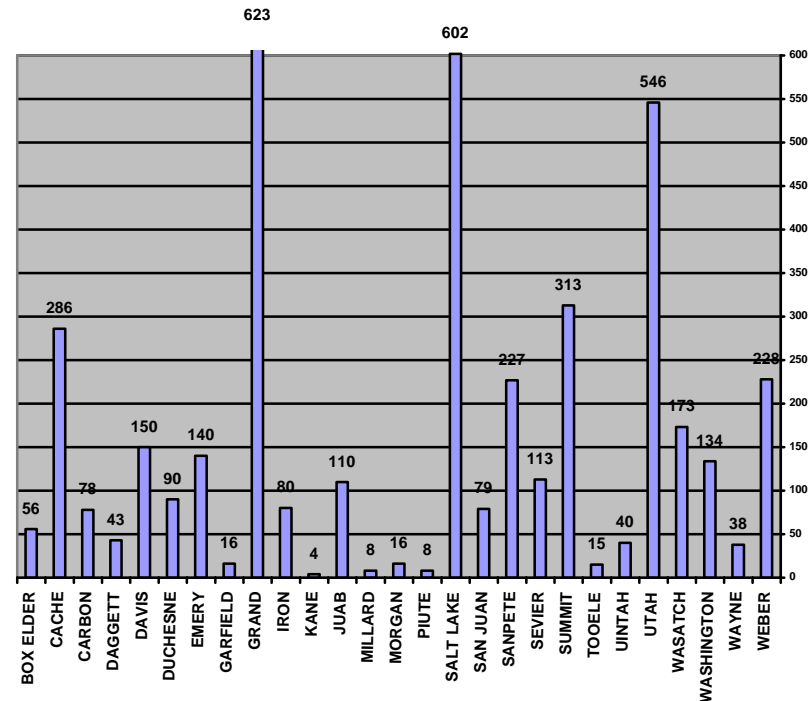
Number of Missions in 2005



There were a total of 595 missions submitted to the SAR Committee for state year 2005.

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Number of Missions, 1998 - 2005

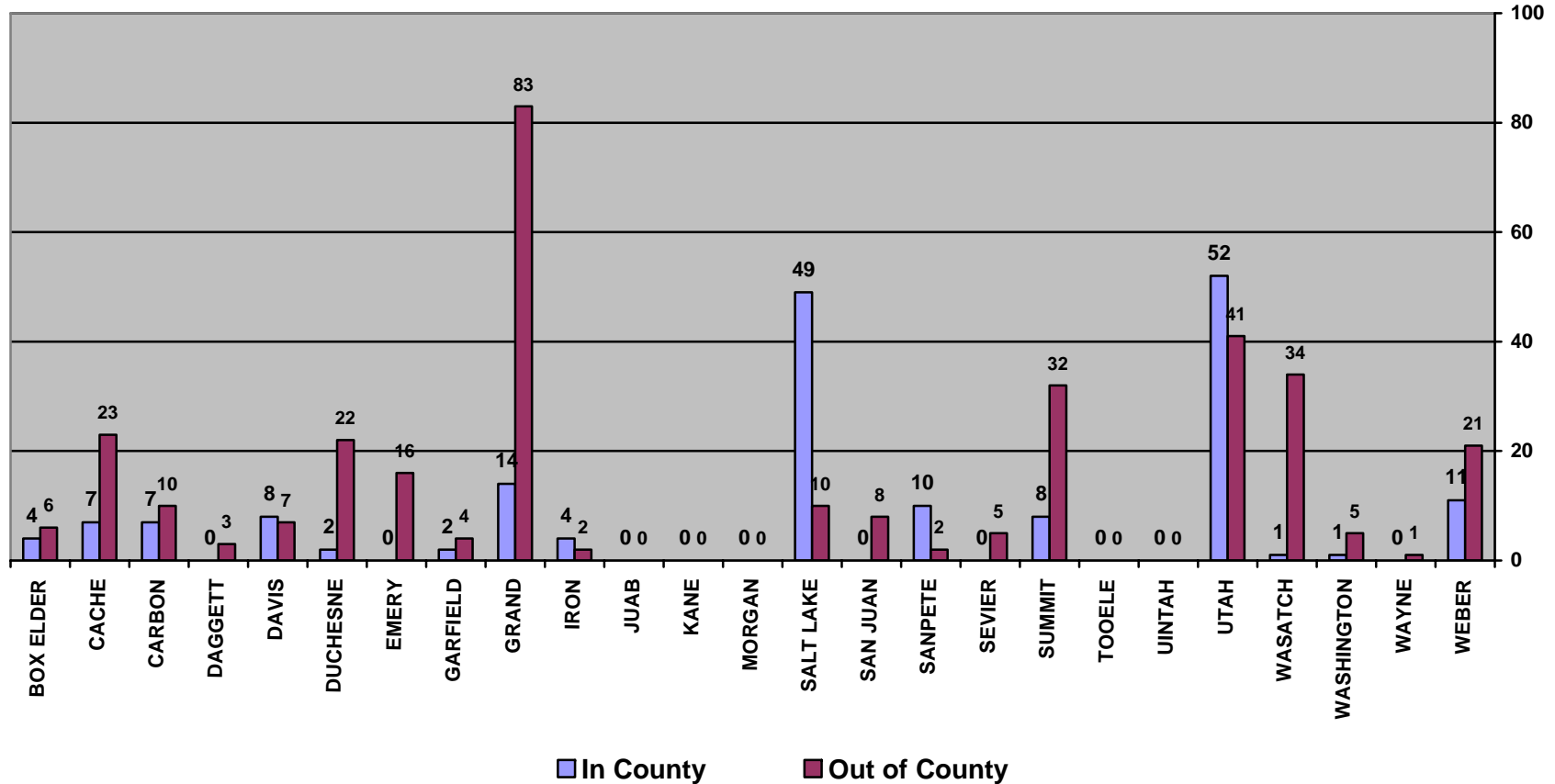


There were a total of 4,215 missions submitted to the SAR Committee for state years 1998 - 2005.

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This graph depicts the residency of the victims on the SAR reports for 2005. It explains whether the victims are from the county where the search was performed or from outside that county.

Victims Residence in 2005

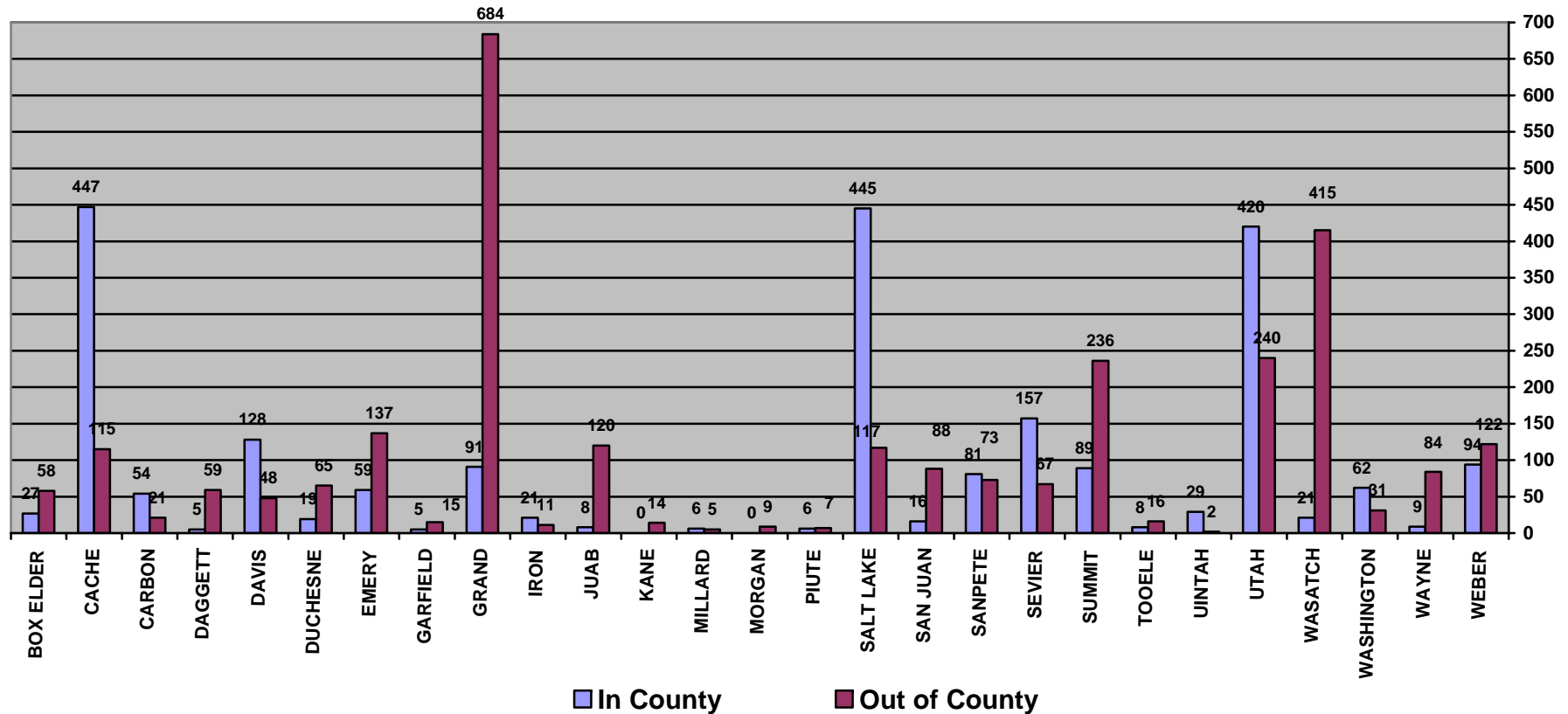


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The total number of victims who live outside the counties is 335.

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Victims' Residence, 1998 - 2005

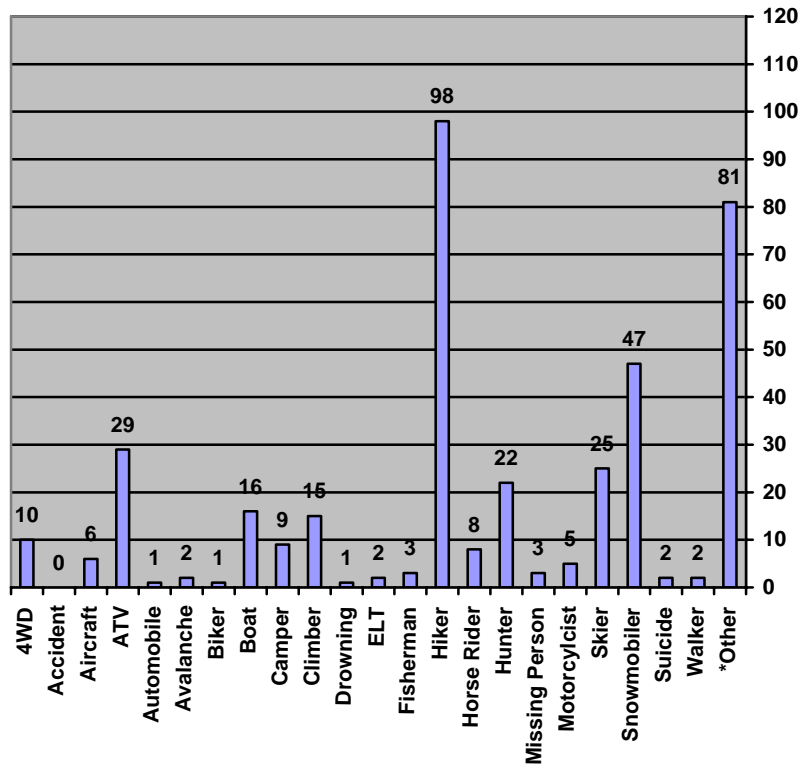


The total number of victims who live in the counties where the search took place is 2,307.
The total number of victims who live outside the counties is 2,895.

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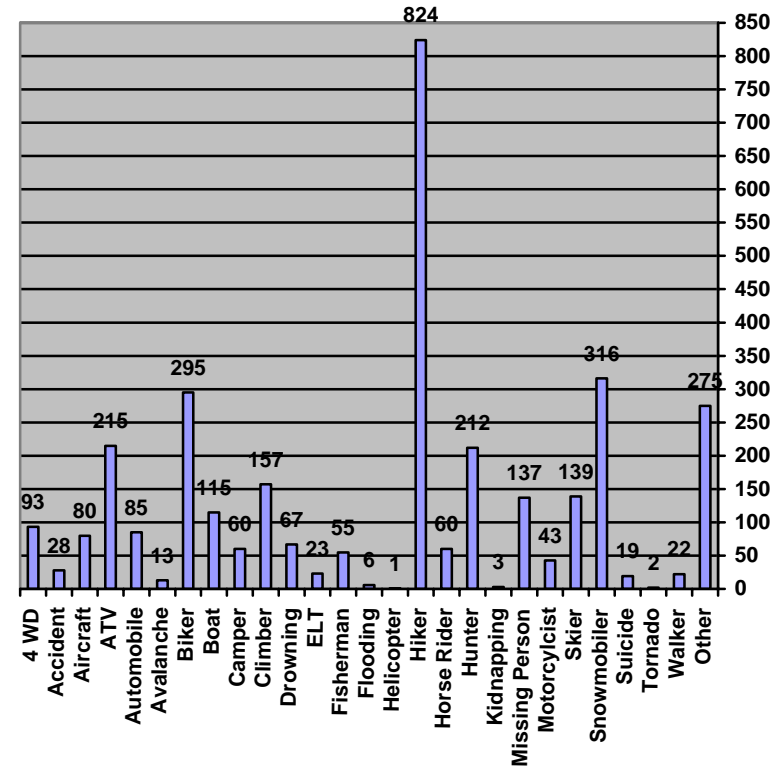
This graph shows the types of activities that required the assistance of the Search and Rescue teams during 2005.

Types of Activity in 2005



This graph shows the types of activities that required the assistance of the Search and Rescue teams from 1998-2005.

Types of Activity in 1998 - 2005

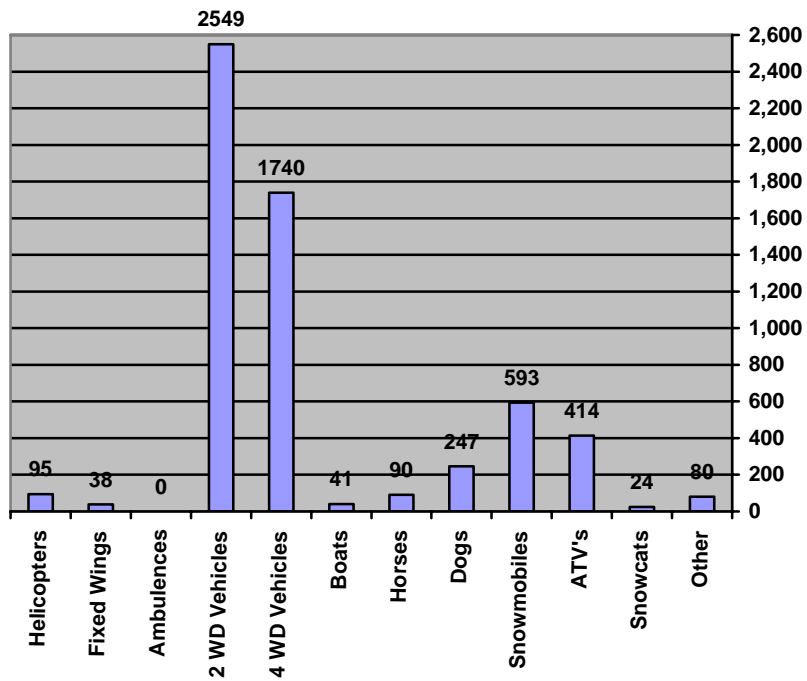


*The high number of "Other" is due to "N/A" responses in the Activity Report.

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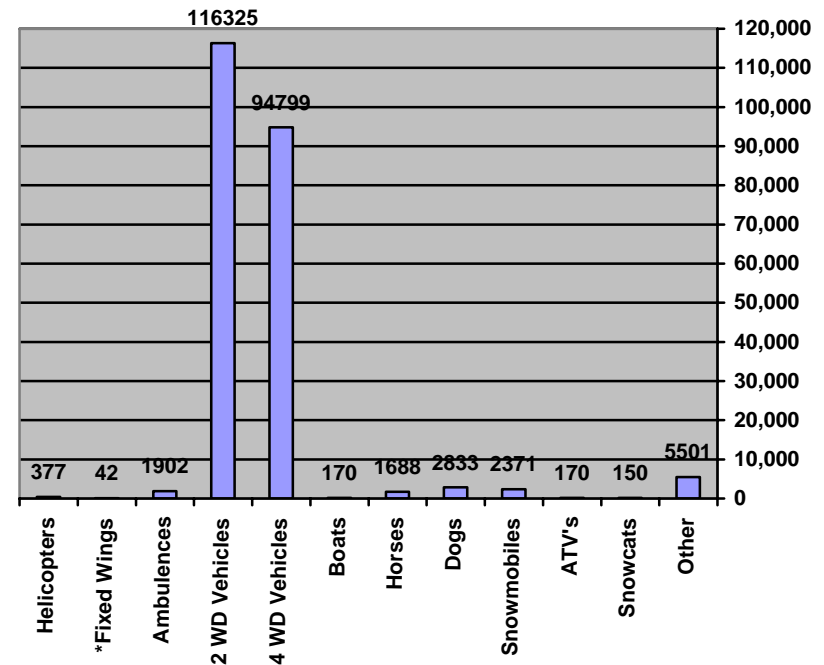
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Hours or Miles Reported in 2005



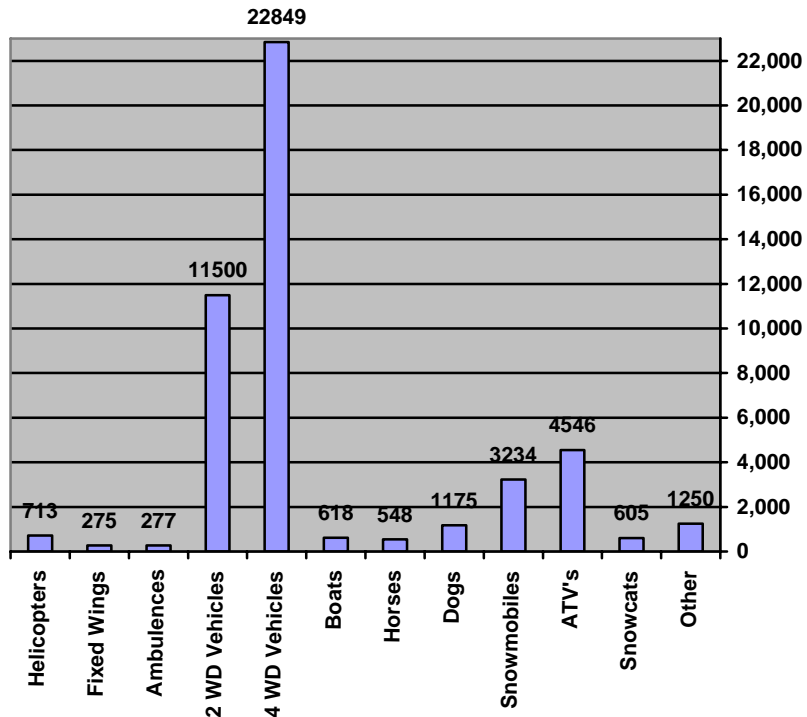
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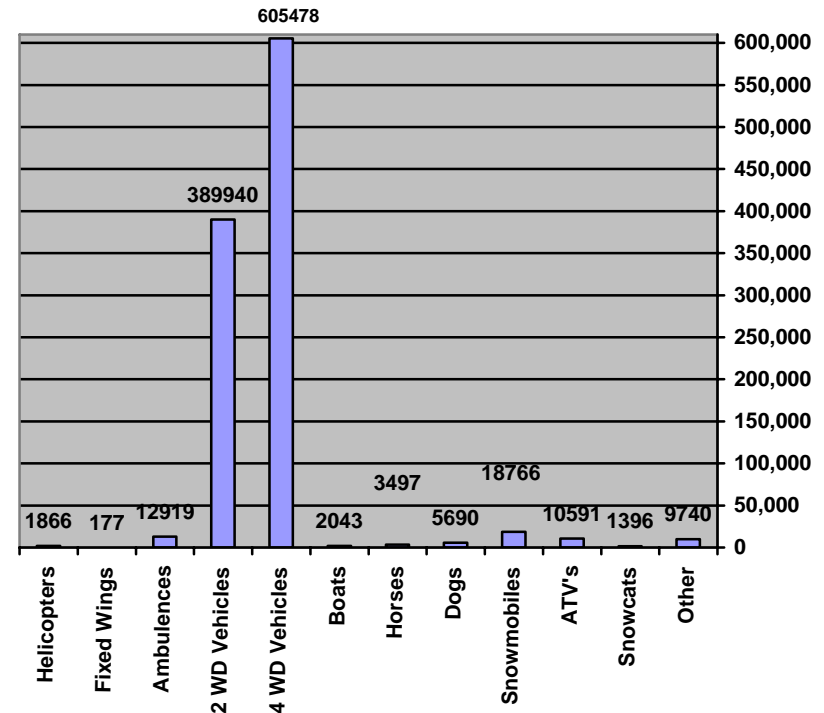
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